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1. No information is available on armament of PO-2, Fieseler-Storch, and Cub aircraft in operational use in either the Soviet Zone of Germany or the Satellite States. The existence of an Arado-198 type aircraft is not known.
 - a. The Fieseler-Storch (designation of the Czech duplicate is J-5), during the war, was fitted with a flexible MG-15 type machine gun with ball mount having its range of action toward the rear. The MG-15 was replaced by the twin-barreled machine gun, MG-81. Other machine guns were installed in the windows of the cabin by crews of these craft. Suspension lugs for two-kilogram, SO-2, fragmentation bombs were fitted under the wings (16 for each wing).
 - b. The ARADO-198 is possibly identical to the German fighter trainer ARADO-96. The Czech version of this type is the J-2. The German version was fitted with two synchronized MG-17 machine guns, the Czech version with one or two 7.9 mm machine guns.
2. Information on the use for front line visual and photo reconnaissance aircraft other than those listed above has been obtained only from Czechoslovakia. Besides the AR-96, Piper-Jub and FI 156, the J-203 (a duplicate of the German Siebel-204), J-104 (the Buecker-131), and individual helicopters (presumably duplicates of the German HA-223) are also in use with Czechoslovakian reconnaissance units. Their armament is not known.
3. No information is available on the training of the reconnaissance units equipped with these aircraft types.
4. The existence of units which have been given the specific mission of destroying liaison aircraft of enemy forces under combat conditions has not been reported.

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